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REMARKS

The applicant thanks the examiner for the telephone interview dated March 28, 2006, in which the Kowtko reference and claims 1 and 2 were discussed.

Below, the comments of the applicant are each preceded by related comments of the examiner (in small, bold type).

4. Claims 1-25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Referring to claims 1, 10, and 19, the claims recite the limitation "identifying the characteristic features of a web site from an input that includes an identifier that identifies the web site and an information sample previously obtained from the web site". However, it is unclear as to whether the input includes an identifier and an information sample or whether the characteristic features *and* information sample are identified.

Due to the 35 USC 112 rejections, the claims have been treated on their merits as best understood by the examiner.

Claims 1, 10, and 19 have been amended.

5. Claims 1, 4-6, 10, 13-15, 19, and 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by US Publication Number 200210065877 by Kowtko et al (hereafter Kowtko).

Referring to claim 1, Kowtko discloses a method (Abstract) comprising:

- identifying characteristic features of a web site (configuration information of a customer's web site, see Fig. 3) from an input that includes an identifier that identifies the web site (website of customer is accessed, para 11; 'company name' field, Fig. 3, element 304₅, para. 27) and an information sample previously obtained from the web site ('graphics, text and/or configuration information' from customer's website, Abstract; see Fig. 3, elements 304₁ to 304₁₀, para. 25-27);
- extracting contents from the web site based on the identified characteristic features and relevancy of the contents to the information sample (graphics, text and/or configuration information is retrieved directly from the customer's web site, para 26); and
- updating a personalized web page with the contents (a generic web site template is updated to create a customized website, para 25-26).

Kowtko does not disclose or suggest identifying characteristic features of a web site from an input that includes an information sample that is obtained from the web site during a first time period, and during a second time period after the first time period, determining relevancy of contents of the web site at the second time period to the information sample based on the

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identified characteristic features, and extracting at least a portion of the contents from the web site based on the relevancy of the portion of contents to the information sample, as recited in amended claim 1.

What Kowtko discloses is a system that allows a sales representative to customize applications to have the look and feel of a potential customer's own web site. The sales representative may access the potential customer's web site and retrieve selected graphics, text, fonts, and color schemes, and apply the retrieved graphics, text, fonts, and color schemes to generic templates to create a customized Web site. The customized web site may then be posted to a Web collaboration tool that enables the customized site to be simultaneously visible and acted upon by both the sales rep and the potential customer over a network. (paragraphs 0027 and 0028)

Claims 10 and 19 are patentable for at least similar reasons as claim 1.

Claims 2-9, 11-18, and 20-27 are patentable for at least the same reasons as the claims on which they depend. Moreover, these claims add additional distinctive features. For example, claim 2 recites "repeating the determining relevancy, extracting, and updating at a frequency specified by the input." Claim 3 recites "requesting a verification after updating the personalized web page; if the verification confirms the update, adding the contents into a training set; and locating the contents of the web site based on the training set during the extracting and updating." Claim 7 recites "identifying the characteristic features includes identifying semantic categories of keywords in the information sample." Claim 8 recites "identifying the characteristic features includes identifying events in the input." Claim 9 recites "assigning a score according to degree of the relevancy of the contents to the information sample; and requesting a different input if the score is below a pre-determined threshold." Kowtko does not disclose or suggest at least these features.

Any circumstance in which the applicant has addressed certain comments of the examiner does not mean that the applicant concedes other comments of the examiner. Any circumstance in which the applicant has made arguments for the patentability of some claims does not mean that there are not other good reasons for patentability of those claims and other claims. Any

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circumstance in which the applicant has amended or canceled a claim does not mean that the applicant concedes any of the examiner's positions with respect to that claim or other claims.

Enclosed is a \$510.00 check for the Petition for Extension of Time fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050, reference 08919-063001.

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